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New Version 5.07

05.12.2007

The new version 5.07 is ready, with many details that make working with Banana even more pleasant. Among the new features is a dialogue window at the start-up of the program with a message that informs the user as to whether there is a more recent version of the product. In order to be able to use this function, the only thing needed is access to the Internet, so that the program automatically connects itself to the Banana.ch server. Other very useful features: it is now possible to obtain the Balance Sheet by period. This allows the user to get the Enhanced Balance Sheet by month, by quarter or by another desired period of time. The function for the import of data has been extended to new file types, like the v11 or xml formats of the Postfinance. The users of version 5 can update themselves to the most recent version by downloading the patch at our internet site at no cost.

Corriere del Ticino: Ticino Accounting arrives in China

05.12.2007

The Ticino Newspaper "Corriere del Ticino" reports in an interview with the president of Banana.ch SA Domenico Zucchetti, that Banana, the software for small companies, having all the potential, seeks to become the number one in China. Because of the difficulty of selling software to the Chinese, most of all in light of the ease with which the Chinese copy something, Banana.ch SA wants to distribute the basics of accounting online at no cost, while only the more advanced functions will have to be paid. Also, the journalist writes that in China, Banana would also like to start a new pilot project by inserting publicity that promotes Switzerland, in the program itself. An important new challenge, as the newspaper states, for this Ticino technological company, that from the start wants to furnish a product that makes life easier for the enterprising people, a group that is certainly well represented in China.



Dopo il successo riscontrato alle nostre latitudini il softre per microimprese Banana, sviluppato da Domenico Zucchetti, punta a diventare il numero uno in Cina

D La contabilità per microimprese e made in Ticino e sharca in Cina. Il software Banana dall'inizio del prossimo anno sarà, infatti, distributio a nache nel Paese di Mezzo. Una bella sfida per la società tecnologica luganese. Nato call'a contabilità anna negli anni ha riscontrato sempre più successo anche oltre i confini nazionali tanto che ormai il quali anna negli anni ha riscontrato sempre più successo anche oltre i confini nazionali tanto che ormai il quali anna peli anni ha riscontrato sempre più successo anche oltre i confini nazionali tanto che ormai il quali ances di software di contabilità la not en compani di contabilità il più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualinque imprenditore a tenere a bada la vicce sepse della propria azienda. Dal giardini era eli irente all'indica del la contabilità il più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualunque imprenditore a tenere a bada la vicce sepse della propria azienda. Dal giardini era eli irente di cambilità. Una realtà quest'ul tima che negli ultimi anni è andiare contabilità a li più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualunque imprenditore a tenere a bada la vicce sepsese della propria azienda. Dal giardini era el irente all'indica del la contabilità al più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualunque imprenditore la tenere a bada la vicce sepsese della propria azienda. Dal giardini era el il risculto, dalla contabilità di più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualunque imprenditore a tenere a bada la vicce a sentera più a tarti quest'ul tima che negli ultimi anni è andiare come al caritato il a Lega in più companiari come di caritato il a Lega in più companiari come al caritato el la Lega in più companiari come al caritato el la Lega in più compania di contabilità il più semplece possibile, che alutasse qualunque imprenditore a tenere a bada la vicce a caritato del al contabilità ul più serrati quest'ul tima che negli ultimi anni è andiare come al caritato el la contabilità un reardi quest'ul su mercato del lavoro. le società sportive a quelle uma-nitarie come la Caritas o la Lega | Fino ad oggi Banana era focaliz-

cilita la contabilità al microim-prenditori cinesi, non è una sil-da come la aire, alla luce soprat-tutto della facilità con cui I cine-si copiano qualunque cosa. A dir la verità, ci ha spiegato Domeni-co Zucchetti, già nel 2002 aveva-mo sviluppato il software in lin-gua cinese, ma è solo dal prossi-mo anno che intendiamo pera-trare nel Pase di Mezzo in ma-niera più strategica. L'idea di ba-



se è quella di focalizzarsi mag-giormente sulla Cina, un po' co-me si era fatto con la Svizzera al-l'inizio dell'avventura di -Bana-na-, «Negli ultimi tempi - spiega il nostro interfocutore - abbiamo sviluppato collaborazioni con sisviluppato collaborazioni con si-ti cinesi che promuoveranno e si occuperanno della distribuzione

microimprei ditori tanto da ess venduto

del prodotto. E per distribuzione non intendiamo la vendita del tradizionale «pacchetto» con cd e istruzioni annesse, ma la com-mercializzazione della versione online scaricabile direttamente sul computer. Per ovviare al tra-dizionale problema delle copie piratate abbiamo scelto di distribuire il software Banana gratui-damente. Il «download» delie ba-si di contabilità sarà quindi gra-tuito: a pagamento saranno inve-ce solo le funzioni avanzate del programma. «Siamo molto fidu-ciosi in questa operazione – spie-ga Domenico Zucchetti – perche in Cina i concorrenti diretti di Ba-nana sono pochi, mentre il nu-mero dei microimprenditori cre-sce esponenzialmente giorno do-

stro interfocutore - por diventa-re i numeri unos. In Cina Banana vorrebbe avvia-re inoltre anche un nuovo proget-to pilota inserendo della pubbli-cità che promuova la Svizzera nel programma stesso. Una nuova importante sida in-somma per la ditta tecnologica ticinese che da sempre ha come obiettivo quello di fornire un pro-dotto che faciliti la vita alle per-sone intraprendenti, e in Cina sone intraprendenti, e in Cina non ne mancano di certo. Stefano Soldati

Accounting correctly with Banana

15.11.2007

The Basel Newspaper "Baz" writes in a review published on the multi-media page that the small entrepreneurs and the associations, who need professional help, can count on Banana as it is clear, easy-to-understand and being used as Microsoft Office. The author of the article highlights that, with the 5th edition of Banana, one can directly start to work, without having to spend supplementary time in order to learn the program.



Banana Accounting 5: For Small Entrepreneurs

13.09.2007

The labor market is changing. Always more people decide to launch their own business and the small and micro businesses are the cranking motor of the economy. According to Eurostat, 90% of the businesses in Europe have less than 10 employees, while 50% have no employees at all. Specifically, the average size of, for example, the Italian companies is just over 3,6 employees. The micro businesses (with less than 10 employees) represent 95,2% of the Italian businesses (source Istat).

Banana.ch SA, operational since 1989, has, with the passing of the years, always fixed her attention more and more on the demands of the small entrepreneurs. With Banana Accounting 5 she has prepared a tailor made product for these entrepreneurs that need to be equipped with accounting instruments that are professional but not too complex at the same time.

Usually the new entrepreneurs who for obvious reasons cannot - or don't need - to employ an accountant in the company, place their trust completely in the services of an accountancy firm. Today, in the computer era, more and more people dare to take on the job with the purchase of good accounting software. Banana's *Simple Accounting*, included in the new version 5, has been conceived for whom, even without a minimum of accounting knowledge, wants to autonomously manage the finances in a professional way right from the start. Similar to the cash book, with the income and expenses columns, it manages several accounts (for instance, the cash, bank account, post office current account, debts, etc.) and allows the user to create a financial statement that is ideal as a basis for the outside accountant or the tax authorities. But

the new Banana doesn't finish here - compared to the earlier versions it is far more complete and its user can wander freely between four different accounting types (Cash book, Simple, Double-entry, and Multi-currency accounting), in order to best manage his own money according to requirements that may vary over the years while the company grows. Practically, this means that the user can, for example, convert his Simple accounting file into Double-entry accounting. All types guarantee professional results; yet at the same time Banana remains an essential tool that is concentrated towards what its public really needs to do, which is financial accounting (contrary to integrated programs that also manage invoicing and so on options that are not so much appreciated by someone who just started a business and who has to confront other priorities).

In spite of the fact that Banana may be tailor made for the small entrepreneurs, there are always more professional accountants and accountancy firms that use Banana in order to maximize their work. Away from the office they work with Banana on their laptops and they can exchange data by email with their correspondents. The new function that makes it possible to store data in Excel is particularly appreciated by them.

For those who want to get to know Banana, on the www.banana.ch website, one can download a demo version at no cost; in the simple, double-entry and multi-currency accounting up to 50 transactions can be saved, while the cash book and the address/label management can be unlimitedly used. (If the user should decide to purchase the software through buying the license key, the saved data will be maintained.) For users of former versions, it is useful to know that files created with these versions are automatically converted.

Banana Accounting 5 can be purchased online (<u>www.banana.ch</u>) at the price of 79.- Euros or 98,- USD (prices do not include VAT/Sales tax).

The Software for Small Entrepreneurs

12.09.2007

In "Azione" (the Migros magazine for Ticino) an interview with Domenico Zucchetti, creator of Banana Accounting, has been published. The journalist writes: "... his bet with the 'New Economy', he won it: his small company's product, the Banana Accounting accounting software, has over the years become a reference for thousands of small entrepreneurs."

Growing number of Small Entrepreneurs

11.09.2007

In every economical area and on a worldwide scale, the number of self-employed workers is constantly growing. In Germany, for example, the federal office for statistics has, in cooperation with the institute for free professions of the University in Erlangenen, completed a research which showed that in the free professions the number of self-employed workers has grown with about 5% in the last year (906'000 self employed in 2006 and 954'000 in the year 2007). But the trend for self-employment is also growing in the other professions and this is why the company Banana.ch SA, operational since 1989, has, with the passing of the years, always fixed her attention more and more on this public. In fact, with Banana Accounting 5, Banana.ch SA has prepared a tailor made product for the small entrepreneurs.

Balancing the household accounts

15.07.2007

The 15th of July, the Sunday newspaper 'Il Caffè' published an article on how to balance the household

accounts without panic and suggests to its readers, among other things, to download at no cost the Banana cashbook, at www.banana.ch. In the article we read:

"... a small and quick software called 'cash book', made available by the luganese company that is an expert in programs that serve to organize, on your personal computer, the household accounts..."



Banana Accounting's success at Migros

12.06.2007

After a year of positive experiences and courses followed by a numerous public at St. Gallen and Wetzikon, Migros has decided to broaden its offer. From now on, one can learn how to use Banana at all the offices of the Klubschule Migros Business in East Switzerland, as it is already done in Italian speaking Switzerland. For beginners as well as experienced persons in the area of accounting.

For more information on the date, time and costs, visit: www.klubschule.ch.

Migros Magazine advises Banana Accounting

03.08.2007

Migros Magazine advises its readers in the 'Software-Tip' column to use Banana Accounting 5. Reason: "Easy to use, the data can be transformed into Excel format."

Today, the accounts are settled at the computer

07.08.2007

The new version 5 of Banana pleases the press and the journalists agree that everyone, in the course of life, is sooner or later obligated to set up an accounting and that, in our days, this is done with the help of a

computer. 'NZZ am Sonntag' for example writes that, in order to have succes in any kind of commercial activity (included those of independant professionals and associations), it is necessary to correctly manage the accounting. In the article we also read that keeping the accounts under control is also worthwhile for individual persons as it serves to facilitate the compiling of the tax declaration. NZZ suggests its readers to buy an accounting program in case a spreadsheet would no longer be sufficient to manage one's own accounting.

Banana superior for being user-friendly and thorough

Computer & Technik

20.05.2007

'NZZ am Sonntag' publishes a review about accounting software. Banana, in comparison to the other products, is being considered superior as to its user-friendliness and thorough approach.

Am Computer wird jetzt abgerechnet

Buchhaltung ist oft ein notwendiges Übel. Umso wichtiger, dass man sich dabei vom PC helfen lässt. Von Bernhard Bircher-Suits

Eine saubere Buchführung ist Grundvoraussetzung für jede erfolgreiche Geschäftstätigkeit – diese Grundregel gilt auch für kleine Vereine und Einzelfirmen. Und selbst für Privatpersonen lohnt sie sich als Grundlage der finanziellen Zukunftsplanung und der Steu-

ererkiarung.
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der Fall ist. Verschiedene Produkt

Laut eigenen Angaben ist die Luganeser Firma Banana mit «Banana 5. Buchhaltung» im Kleinkundensegmen in der Schweiz führend. Konkurrieren de Anbieter mit vergleichbaren Produkten sind Sage Sesam mit «Winwa-Home 2007» und Q3-Software mit OD Bachbeltungssogs (iche Theballe

Positiv sticht bei Banana das umfas sende Benutzerhandbuch in gedruckte Form hervor. Der Nachteil: Es gibt kein Einsteiger-, Standard- oder Profi-Ver sionen, weshalb man auch als Anfänge ein relativ komplexes Produkt mit vielen Möglichkeiten erwirbt. Die FiBu lässt sich zudem nicht mit weiteren Lösungen für die Fakturierung oder Auftragsbearbeitung ergänzen – die Firma

QS-Software hat gemäss der üccher Schaftsführerin Marie-Ange Korn wei
über hunderttausend Lizenzen de
"Chinie in der Schweiz im Einstat. Entwickelt werden die Schweiz im Einstat. Entware ist gemäss Korn aschweizer Software für Anwender in der Schweizund erfülle alle heisigen gesetzlicher
Auflagen. Die Installation der Q-Buchhaltung zoor ist wie bei Banana unter
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wie zum Beispiel dem Q-Auftrag ode
en Q-Faktura-Lösungen.

Auch die dreisprachige Lösung Winway Home 2007 (d/l/l) des britischer Software-Businessriesen Sage Sesan lässt sich unter Windows XP sehnel und problemlos installieren. Die Soft ware läuft im Gegenstatz zu den zwe anderen Produkten aber noch nich unter Windows Vista. Nachteile dieser Produkts sind zudem eine Begrenzung auf 1000 Buchungen pro eröffnete Buchhaltung und das Fehlen eine sonlockten Handbuche, Docktiv ist die onderderen Handbuche, Docktiv ist die



Gewinn oder Verlust: Der Computer rechnet aus, was wirklich in den Akten steht. (Manion Lösse/ Visum)

Anbieter	Banana	Saga Sesam	Q3 Software AG
Internet-Adresse	www.banana.ch	www.sagesesam.ch	www.q3software.ch
Bezeichnung	Banana Buchhaltung 5.0	Winway Home 2007	Q-Buchhaltung 2007 Standard
Zielgruppe	Kleinfirmen, Private, Vereine	Private	Kleinfirmen, Private, Vereine
Demoversion	60 Tage Testzeit, max. 100 Buchungen	60 Tage Testzeit	30 Tage Testzeit
Preis	129 Fx	99 Fr.	99 Fc
Supportkosten	Gratis	4.23 Fr/Min.	3.60 Fr./Mn.
Betriebssystem	Windows NT/2000/2003/XP/Vista	Windows 95/98/ME/NT/2000/XP	Windows 2000/XP/Vista

mögliche Erweiterbarkeit auf umfassendere Versionen. Zudem bietet Sage Sesam eine ergänzende Produktpalette für die Bedürfnisse von Firmen an.

Entscheidend an einer FiBu ist, das der Anwender mit wenig Zeitaufwan in der Lage ist, die Buchführung mög lichst unabhängig und selbständig z nen Überblick über seine Finanzen haben. Mit den erwähnten drei Programmen wird dieses Bedüfrinis zu einem tiefen Preis weitgehend abgedeckt. Betrachtet man die Bedienerführung und die Vollständigkeit der Produkteschwingt Banana im Quervergleich obenauf. Wer hingegen auch die Lagerin einem Programm haben möchte, ist mit der Banana-Lösung eher schlecht beraten. Bei den anderen Anbieten lassen sich solche Zusatzmodule dazukaufen. Daher sollte man sich bei der Prüfung des breiten Angebots an Software immer schon Gedanken über einen später eventuell notwendigen

Four mice for Banana

02.02.2007

Banana Accounting has also been reviewed by the editorial staff of PCtipp, with a good outcome (obtaining 4 mice).

From the review:

"... the software represents an advantage: it contains all the accounting types that are commonly used and everything that the authorities appreciate in an accounting software."



'20 Minuten' presents Banana Accounting 5

16.03.2007

'20 Minuten' (the most read, freely distributed newspaper on the national territory) presents the new version 5 of Banana Accounting on the 15th of March, emphasizing the new function that makes it possible to export all the accounting data to Excel format for review.



New version of Banana Accounting presented to Swiss fiduciaries

01.01.2007

In her January/February issue, the magazine of the Swiss fiduciaries presents the new version of Banana Accounting.

BANANA BUCHHALTUNG 5



Die Version 5 von Banana Buchhaltung, das Buchhaltungsprogramm für kleine Firmen, Privatanwender

gerversion bei, aber mit neuen wichtigen Funktionen zum Impor-tieren/Exportieren von Daten und für eine maximale Sicherheit. Eine tur eine maximate sicherheit. Eine Besonderheit: die einfache Buch-haltung, für Buchhaltungsmuffel, welche mehrere Konten gleichzei-tig (Kasse, Bank, Post) ohne Vor-kenntnisse komplett verwalten möchten. Nutzlich für Profis hingegen (z.B. für Treuhander) ist die Tatsache, dass es möglich ist, die Daten in Excel archivieren zu können. Die Dateien der Vorgängerver-

sionen werden beim Aktualisieren auf Banana 5 automatisch umge-wandelt, und dank neuer Funktionen kann man jetzt noch schneller, effizienter und sicherer arbeiten. Banana ist die erste Buchhaltungs-

fläche lasst sich die Buchhaltung auf die Eingabe von aktuellen Da-ten beschränken, den Rest macht das Programm. Kopieren: Einfügen ersten Mal mit Buchhaltung befasdas Programm. Kopieren, Einfügen von, in Word und Excel ist möglich. Ebenso das Importieren aus Datei TXT, MT940 und das Exportieren in verschiedene Formate, wobei das Archivieren in Excel speziell Treu-

nander interessiert.

Die neue Version erlaubt es allen,
aufgrund der eigenen Fahigkeiten
und Bedurfnisse verschiedene b.

Banana Buchhaltung a. v. v. der und Bedürfnisse verschiedene Buch-haltungen zu erledigen, aber immer auf professionelle Art und Weise: Das Kassabuch für den Privatge-brauch verwaltet die Einnahmen und Ausgaben von einem einzi-gen Konto. Firmen hingegen, wel-che mehr Details vorweisen müssen, können wählen zwischen der ein fachen Buchhaltung, der doppel-ten Buchhaltung (ideal für Persofür kleine Firmen, Privatamwender und Vereine, ist jetzt im Handel; mit 84. Neuheiten und 68 Verbesse- gesjeicherten Daten mit einer parungen. Die neue Version behält alle Charakteristiken der Vorgan- Dank gewohnter MS-Office-Ober- in anderen Wahrungen zu verwal- www.banana...h

sen und dies von Anfang an profes-sionell und seriös erledigen wollen. Alle Arten von Buchhaltung bie-ten die folgenden Optionen: mit oder ohne MWST/UST, zwei Wah-

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